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FOR COL. GROSS AND AMBASSADOR FROM DRAPER

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SUBJECT: INTERIM TEAM REPORT

REF: BEIRUT 1951

1. REFTEL WAS HIGHLY INTERESTING, AND WILL LOOK FORWARD TO
MORE, INTERIM, FORMAL, OR OTHERWISE.

2. AS FOR THE BEKAA BRIGADE, ONE THOUSAND MEN READY TO GO
WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL AND WOULD GREATLY ASSIST OUR
OVERALL EFFORTS. THEIR SYMBOLIC VALUE CANNOT BE UNDER-
ESTIMATED. AT SAME TIME, THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE AT LEAST
UP TO UNIFIL STANDARDS IN TERMS OF FIRE POWER.

3. AS WE MOVE FORWARD IN TRYING TO GET AT LEAST A SMALL
UNIT SOUTH, PERHAPS IN COMPANY WITH UNIFIL TROOPS, HOPE
YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE US TIMELY ASSESSMENT OF CAPACITIES,

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MORALE, AND FIRE POWER OF THE UNIT READY TO GO.

4. HOPE ALSO THAT TEAM, WITHOUT STRAINING TERMS OF
REFERENCE, WILL BE ABLE TO ASSESS CAPACITY OF RAYAK AIR
BASE TO HANDLE POSSIBLE CARGO AND PERSONNEL MOVEMENTS.

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